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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

## Examiner Elve:

In response to the Office Action dated 01/10/2007, Applicant submits the following remarks and amendments, currently due on a statutory period for response expiring on 04/10/2007. It is believed that no extension of time is necessary. In addition, this Response is being filed within two months of the mailing date.

The Examiner has stated, on the Office Action Summary that Claims 20-29 are pending, and Claims 20-29 are rejected.

This response is organized as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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